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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A QUESTION TO THE
PUBLIC IN A NON-BINDING REFERENDUM AT THE
GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 5, 2013**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:37-1, et seq., authorizes a governing body of any municipality who desires to ascertain the sentiment of the legal voters of the municipality upon any question or policy pertaining to the government or internal affairs thereof by adoption of a resolution requesting the County Clerk to print upon the official ballots to be used at the next ensuing general election a certain proposition as formulated and expressed in the resolution; and

WHEREAS, such request must be submitted by duly adopted resolution to the County Clerk not less than eighty-one (81) days previous to the general election;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that:

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:37-1, et seq., the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville hereby determines to submit the following question to a non-binding vote at the next general election, to be held on November 5, 2013:

BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE BALLOT MEASURE

- () YES Shall the Borough of Merchantville be authorized to impose an annual levy not to exceed \$0.02 on the local municipal tax levy pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:12-15.7 for the following purposes:
- (a) development of lands owned and/or acquired for recreation and conservation purposes;
 - (b) maintenance of lands and historic buildings owned and/or acquired for recreation and conservation purposes.
- () NO

INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT

This non-binding referendum will give the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville the ability to create a fund for the development and maintenance of lands and historic buildings owned by the Borough of Merchantville. The amount will not exceed \$0.02 of the local tax levy which is equivalent to approximately \$37.10 annually on the average assessed home in Merchantville. This tax will be a separate and an additional tax on your tax bill. Due to restrictive budgetary conditions, this is an option to help continue the future existence of the lands and historic buildings for the use and enjoyment of the residents.

2. The Camden County Clerk is hereby requested to print the above question and Interpretive Statement on the official ballots for the Borough of Merchantville for the General Election to be held on November 5, 2013.

THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

BY: _____
FRANK M. NORTH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK

I, **DENISE BROUSE**, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Merchantville, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by Borough Council at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 8, 2013, and that said Resolution passed by a majority vote of the members of Borough Council.

DENISE BROUSE, BOROUGH CLERK